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Chairman Marvin Abney
House Committee on Finance
Rhode Island State House
Room 35
82 Smith St.
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ATTN: Christopher O'Brien, Committee Clerk

AGAINST House Bill 5193 - Establishment of Charter Schools

Dear Chairman Abney and Members of the House Committee on Finance:

My name is Maura Cante and I live in Central Falls/RI. I am writing to express my **strong opposition to Representative O'Brien's bill, H-5193**, regarding charter schools.

I am the mother of a 5th grader parent from Segue FL. I want to give you my opinion and my experience with the charter school. I see that my son Kevin, is more advance academically since he started Segue. He is finally at the grade level he should be in and I can see how happy that makes him, that is all thanks to the support and help from his teachers and staff at the school. The school has high standards for all students and that includes mine. He was so sad when he saw that a Bill was put in against Charter school, as he feels that everyone there is part of his family and he was counting the days for his little sister to start on the same school as him. I am very concerned because my youngest qualifies to start kindergarten and if this bill is approved I will personally be affected.

I want to ask you to please opposed this bill and give more kids the opportunity of attending a charter school where they feel safe and they learn well.

Please oppose House Bill 5193 and let our children pursue the high-quality education they deserve.

Respectfully,
Maura Cante